

South Carolina Board of Economic Advisors

Statement of Estimated State Revenue Impact

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Committee Requesting Impact: Senate LCI

Bill Summary

A bill to amend Section [41-35-120](#), as amended, Code of Laws of South Carolina, 1976, relating to disqualification for benefits of an insured worker under the Employment Security Law, so as to provide that leaving an employer because of the transfer of a spouse from one military assignment to another does not disqualify a person from these benefits.

REVENUE IMPACT ^{1/}

This bill would have no impact on state or local revenues in FY 2007-08.

Explanation

Currently, a person voluntarily leaving a position covered by employment insurance in this State is deemed to have left “without good cause” and is, therefore, not eligible for unemployment compensation by definition. This bill provides an exception for those workers who leave covered employment to follow a spouse from one military assignment to another. Such workers would now be eligible for applicable benefits as having left insured employment for “good cause.” The bill further provides that these benefits would not be charged to that person’s former employer.

Based on an assessment by Unemployment Insurance staff, this bill would have minimal impact upon the state unemployment compensation fund that is used to pay these benefits. Since these funds stem from pooled contributions of applicable employers, the bill would have no impact on state or local revenues in FY 2007-08.

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^{1/} This statement meets revenue impact requirements of Section 2-7-71 for a state impact by BEA, Section 2-7-76 for a local impact or Section 6-1-85(B) for an estimate of the shift in local property tax incidence by Office of Economic Research (OER).